



Minnesota Ag News – Cattle

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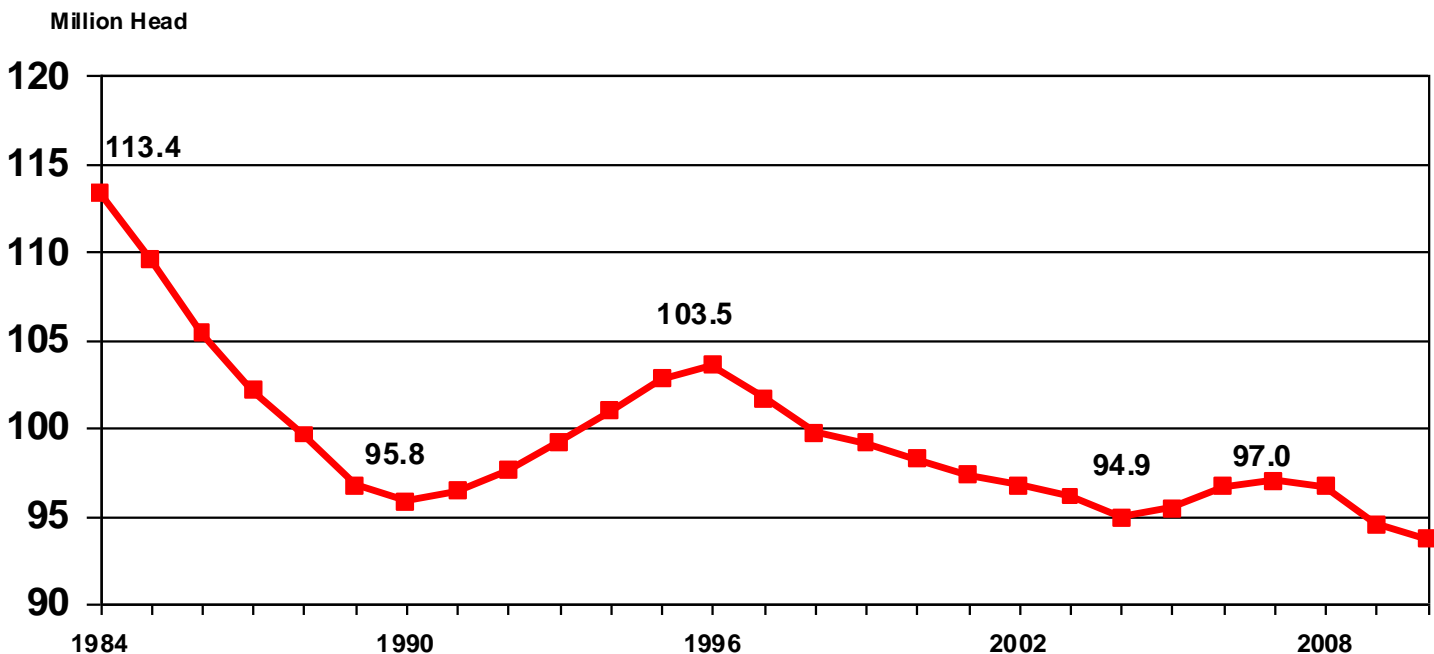
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U.S. CATTLE INVENTORIES DOWN; MINNESOTA INVENTORY UP

Minnesota cattle and calves inventory was 2,420,000 head on January 1, 2010, up one percent from the January 1, 2009 inventory, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. The U.S. inventory, at 93.7 million head, was down one percent from the previous year.

Minnesota cows and heifers that have calved totaled 850,000 head on January 1, 2010, down one percent from last year. Beef cows in the state, at 380,000 head, were down 3 percent and milk cows, at 470,000 head, were up 0.4 percent from a year ago. Nationally, the total cows and heifers that have calved were 40.5 million head, down 1 percent from a year ago. Beef cows, at 31.4 million head, were down 1 percent from January 1, 2009 and milk cows, at 9.1 million head, were down 3 percent from last year.

U.S. Cattle Inventory January 1



ITEM	MINNESOTA			UNITED STATES ^{1/}		
	(Thousands)		2010 as % of 2009	(Thousands)		2010 as % of 2009
	2009	2010		2009 ^{2/}	2010	
All Cattle & Calves	2,400	2,420	101	94,521	93,701	99
All Cows	860	850	99	41,045	40,456	99
Beef Cows	392	380	97	31,712	31,376	99
Milk Cows	468	470	100	9,333	9,081	97
All Heifers 500 Lbs.+	545	570	105	19,576	19,666	100
Beef Replacement Heifers	95	95	100	5,531	5,436	98
Expected to Calve	NA	NA		3,367	3,385	101
Milk Replacement Heifers	285	295	104	4,410	4,516	102
Expected to Calve	NA	NA		2,909	2,941	101
Other Heifers	165	180	109	9,635	9,714	101
Steers 500 Lbs. & Over	440	445	101	16,769	16,440	98
Bulls 500 Lbs. & Over	40	35	88	2,184	2,190	100
Calves Under 500 Lbs.	515	520	101	14,948	14,949	100
Cattle & Calves on Feed	280	290	104	13,856	13,642	98
	2008	2009	2009 as % of 2008	2008 ^{2/}	2009	2009 as % of 2008
Calf Crop	840	820	98	36,153	35,819	99

1/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

2/ Small revisions of less than one-half percent were made to previously released inventory estimates by class and calf crop.